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MARCH MUSTER CALL

date: 9 March 1989 time: 6:15 p.m. Mess Call

place: Wyatt's Cafeteria

Hancock Center

Our programs rank from excellent to outstanding. February's certainly was. The fellowship can only be described as very enjoyable. February's We recognized our wonderful Valentines -- our Southern hearts. We enjoyed a Valentine's cake courtesy of the camp, and the ladies received a box of candy from us also. Our business meeting concerns the ongoing work of the "Cause" today. Our ancestors would be proud. Our attendance is filling the room. February's did; what a wonderful problem. For those who don't come, isn't this description appealing? We hope you think so and will join us.

This month we will learn about "President Jefferson Davis at Fortress Monroe". The program will be brought by our Chaplain, General Thomas S. Bishop. Will we see you there? And bring your family and friends.

IN MEMORIAM

ROY WARREN LYNN 14 November 1943 10 February 1989

Compatriot Warren Lynn answered the final roll on the 10th of February. He and his mother, Charlotte Horn, have been active camp supporters since he became a member. He was particularly interested in the Littlefield Battery, purchased a uniform and happily took part in the Confederate Heroes Day Celebration at the State Capitol in January.

He had joined the Sons of Confederate Veterans upon the record of his Great Great Grandfather George Wesley Haley who was a Captain in the Cavalry, Texas State Troops during the War Between the States.

Warren was buried in his uniform. The Battery Battleflag was on display by him. Camp members attended the funeral in uniform. David Morris and Greg Hector served as pallbearers and presented his mother with a folded battleflag in a flag ceremony at the gravesite in San Antonio.

THANK-YOU

We wish to express our appreciation for the honor you bestowed upon Warren Lynn at his services. It was so good to see the flag at his head.

The draping of his coffin, and the gift of that flag to us was a truly heartfelt honor. We thank you for that.

A special thank you from our hearts to those of you who honored Warren by your attendance in uniform.

Warren was so proud to have been a member of Camp #59, SCV. He felt it a rare privilege to wear a uniform and to take part in the ceremonies of January 22nd. Thank you for giving him that opportunity.

You are all dear to our hearts. Sincerely, Etta Haley and Charlotte Horn



CONSECRATED GROUND

At the dedication of the Maine monument at Gettysburg, Gen. Joshua Chamberlain gave these remarks. The thoughts cross over political differences, sectional boundaries, and differing ideologies.

"In great deeds something abides. On great fields something stays. Forms change and pass; bodies disappear; but spirits linger, to consecrate ground for the vision-place of souls. And reverent men and women from afar, and generations that know us not and that we know not of, heartdrawn to see where and by whom great things were suffered and done for them, shall come through this deathless field, to ponder and dream; and lo! the shadow of a mighty presence shall wrap them in its bosom, and the power of the vision pass into their souls."

SAVE THE BATTLEFIELDS

It never ends; Brandy Station Battlefield, the site of the largest cavalry battle fought on the North American continent is in danger of being destroyed by developers. A California developer (Lee C. Sammis, Sammis Co., 17922 Fitch Ave. #100, Irvine Ca. 92714) wants a business park shopping village and residential community on this ground. Write to him expressing your disapproval and say that such developments are not in keeping with historical preservation. Write the County Board of Supervisors of Culpeper County. Write the editors of the newspapers: Culpeper News 605 S. Main St., Culpeper Va. 22701 and Culpeper Star-Exponent, PO Box 111, Culpeper 22701 urging the locals to support saving this area for its national significance.

We thank the CHI Dispatch, ed. Jerry Russell for this update and the Chamberlain quotation used herein.



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CONTINUING HERITAGE ATTACKS

We informed you of the trouble Oklahomans were having in regard to the removal of the Confederate flag flying on the Okla. State Capitol Plaza. Last year a bill passed restoring the flags removed at the behest of Helen Arnold. Office of Public Affairs. This liberal lady is balking at restoring the flag, holding out, she says, until the Legislature decides which Confederate flag to fly.

The Tenn. Division UDC raised a large part of the money for a dormitory at Vanderbilt in 1935. That university's Racial Environment Project has called for the name "Confederate" to be stricken from the Hall because it is a "negative symbol of race relations on campus". The dorm was originally at Peabody College, now a part of Vanderbilt. This act is an insult to our sister organization who raised \$50,000 at a time when we were in a depression. cellor Joe B. Wyatt, 211 Kirkland Hall Vanderbilt Univ., Nashville, Tenn. 37240 deserves a note on this one.

Kappa Alpha, Auburn Univ., had always flown their 20-foot Battleflag on important occasions. Five years ago, you guessed it, the Black Student Action Comm. complained. The university gave in and put restrictions on flags. KA's have circumvented this by building a chicken wire and crepe paper flag for Homecoming. Since this "flag" is not made of cloth, the university rules have been circumvented.

(Rebel Yell, Okla. City, Past CIC Charles Smith, editor.)

CAMP NEWS

Good news! Most of our Compatriots have answered our call for 1989 dues, but there still are a few who haven't responded to the now three calls for dues made through this newsletter. You cannot honestly say you did not know your dues were due. And if you have, for some reason, decided not to reenlist, please have the courtesy to inform your Adjutant so as not to be continually bothered for your dues and to save us a few bucks.

Greg Hector went to Marble Falls on Sunday afternoon, February 26th to present a Confederate Song Program for the UDC. A nice article with picture was printed in their newspaper. Over 50 people attended. A presentation was made on the SCV in an attempt to stir interest there. A few prospects for membership were found.

Important Camp dates: March 9 Camp meeting; March 31 Division Exec. Committee, Hillsboro; April 1 Battery at Conf. History Symposium, Hillsboro; April 8-125th Battle of Pleasant Hill Louisiana; April 13 Camp meeting; April 14 artillery demonstration at Canyon Middle School, New Braunfels; April 26 Confederate Memorial Day; April 29 Temple camp charter night; May 11 Camp meeting; May 27-28 Battery at Ft. Sill, Okla. Cannon Shoot; June 8 Camp meeting; June 10 Division Convention, San Antonio.



PATRIOTS. LOYAL CITIZENS, TRUE SOLDIERS

"The blessed and ever-glorious dead are not here to defend their memories from the taint of the reproach of rebellion and treason. Alas! live and here, and am bound at every hazard to declare that these men were no rebels and no traitors...that they were patriots, loyal citizens, well tried and true soldiers, brave, honest devoted men, who proved their faith in their principles by the deaths which canonized them immortal heroes and martyrs."

Henry A. Wise Former Governor of Va. (reprint: The Courier Dispatch. #1343 SCV, Richmond, Va., Edwin Carpenter, editor.)



FREEMAN COMPETITION OPEN

The MOSB announces that entries for the 1989 Douglas Southall Freeman History Award are now being accepted. This is an annual competition that recognises the most outstanding work in either Southern or Confederate History. The winner is awarded a \$1,000 cash grant. The winner will be announced in June and invited to speak at the Convention in Okla. City in August. Further information is available from your editor.

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